Freetown Conservation Commission

Minutes of the Monday, March 16, 2015 Meeting Town Hall, 3 North Main Street, Assonet, Mass.

Present: Keven Desmarais, Christopher Mather, Janine Robidoux, and Charles §

Absent: Maria Ternullo (and two vacancies)

Call to order: Keven Desmarais called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

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Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of March 2ns were received. A motion was made by Mrs. Robidoux, seconded by Mr. Sullivan, to accept the minutes as read. The motion carried unanimously.

Notice of Intent - 124 Chipaway Road, East Freetown

Terry McGovern of Morse Engineering was present to review the project, which consists of replacing an existing septic system. Work will be done within the 100-foot buffer zone, approximately 45 feet from the bordering vegetated wetlands and approximately 90 feet from the well. This is a Title V repair, and will use a monolithic tank per the Health Agent's recommendation. Erosion control is proposed around the perimeter of the work area. The applicant will seek necessary variances from the Board of Health as to distance of the septic system from the well.

Mr. McGovern was unable to provide the DEP file number. Mr. Desmarais stated the hearing could not be closed without that number, but could recess to allow Mr. McGovern to locate it.

A motion was made by Mrs. Robidoux, seconded by Mr. Sullivan, to continue the hearing until 7:40 p.m.

Request for Determination of Applicability - Vicinity of 104 Middleboro Road, East Freetown

Andrea Coates and Mike Clements were present to represent MassHighway District 5 for the project, consisting of repairing a paved waterway and stone pad. Through discussion, it was determined that the repair would be to a paved apron leading from a catch basin on Middleboro Road to a wooded area, the land beneath the apron having eroded and a sinkhole having formed. Mr. Desmarais questioned whether there were wetlands in the wooded area, and Ms. Coates replied that they were unable to determine if it was a wetland or not, but it does not show up on the state GIS as one. She said they were applying out of an abundance of caution.

A motion was made by Mr. Mather, seconded by Mr. Sullivan, to issue a negative determination #3. The motion carried unanimously.

Discussion with Representatives of Lamb's Village

Pastor Jose Moniz and engineer John Robinson approached to reintroduce themselves and familiarize new members with the Lamb's Village concept and provide background. This was to serve as a precursor to a continuation of the ongoing public hearing for the project.

A motion was made by Mr. Sullivan, seconded by Mrs. Robidoux, to continue the hearing to April 13th at 7:00 p.m.

Notice of Intent - 124 Chipaway Road, East Freetown

The recessed public hearing reconvened at 8:00 p.m. A motion was made by Mr. Mather, seconded by Mr. Sullivan, to approve the plans as submitted, contingent on no extraordinary issues raised by DEP and receipt of the advertising check. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. McGovern was unable to provide the DEP file number. Mr. Desmarais stated the hearing could not be closed without that number, but could recess to allow Mr. McGovern to locate it.

A motion was made by Mrs. Robidoux, seconded by Mr. Sullivan, to continue the hearing until 7:40 p.m.

Payment of Bills

A motion was made by Mr. Sullivan, seconded by Mrs. Robidoux, to pay advertising bills in the amount of \$303.80. The motion carried unanimously.

Site Visits

No site visits were scheduled.

Meeting Adjourned

A motion was made by Mr. Sullivan, seconded by Mr. Mather, to adjourn at 8:10 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

This is a True Record by me.

Attest: McCue, Senior Clerk